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### Summary of the Bill Under Consideration Today:

**Total Number of New Government Programs:** 0

**Total Cost of Discretionary Authorizations:** \$0

**Effect on Revenue:** \$0

**Total Change in Mandatory Spending:** \$0

**Total New State & Local Government Mandates:** 0

**Total New Private Sector Mandates:** 0

**Number of Bills Without Committee Reports:** 2

**Number of Reported Bills that Don't Cite Specific Clauses of Constitutional Authority:** 0

### **H.Res. 46—Supporting the goals and ideals of National Mentoring Month (Osborne)**

**Order of Business:** The resolution is scheduled to be considered on Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill.

**Summary:** H.Res. 46 would resolve that the House:

- “supports the goals and ideals of National Mentoring Month;
- “praises the millions of caring adults who have already committed their time and energy to mentor a child; and
- “supports efforts to recruit more mentors in the United States.”

**Additional Background:** According to MENTOR, January is National Mentoring Month.: <http://www.mentoring.org/>

**Committee Action:** On January 25, 2005, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, which took no official action on it.

**Cost to Taxpayers:** The resolution would authorize no expenditure.

**Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?:** No.

**Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?:** No.

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### **H.R. 315—John Milton Bryan Simpson United States Courthouse Designation Act (*Brown, Corrine*)**

**Order of Business:** The bill is scheduled to be considered on Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill.

**Summary:** H.R. 315 would designate the federal courthouse at 300 North Hogan Street, Jacksonville, Florida, as the “John Milton Bryan Simpson United States Courthouse.”

**Additional Background:** John Milton Bryan Simpson was a federal judge from 1950 through 1987. For more background information, visit this website: <http://www.fjc.gov/servlet/tGetInfo?jid=2197>

**Committee Action:** On January 25, 2005, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, which took no official action on it.

**Cost to Taxpayers:** The only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

**Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?:** No.

**Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?:** No.

**Constitutional Authority:** Although no committee report citing constitutional authority is available, Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution provides for the establishment of “such inferior Courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish.”

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## **H.R. 548—Tony Hall Federal Building and United States Courthouse Designation Act (Hobson)**

**Order of Business:** The bill is scheduled to be considered on Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill.

**Summary:** H.R. 548 would designate the federal building and courthouse located at 200 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Dayton, Ohio, as the “Tony Hall Federal Building and United States Courthouse.”

**Additional Background:** Former U.S. Congressman Tony Hall, a pro-life Democrat, represented Ohio's third congressional district, which included the Dayton area, for over 24 years. Mr. Hall resigned from Congress on September 9, 2002, to accept an appointment to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture in Rome, Italy, where he oversees the World Food Program, the Food and Agriculture Organization, and the International Fund for Agricultural Development.

**Committee Action:** On February 2, 2005, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, which took no official action on it.

**Cost to Taxpayers:** The only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

**Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?:** No.

**Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?:** No.

**Constitutional Authority:** Although no committee report citing constitutional authority is available, Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution provides for the establishment of “such inferior Courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish.”

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